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REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement dated October 23, 2003, the claims of Group I . (Claims 1-6, 8-12 and 14-18), drawn to a ligand-specific binding assay employing a recombinant cell, are elected for prosecution. Applicants reserve the right to file a continuing application or take such other appropriate action as deemed necessary to protect the non-elected inventions.

Applicants do not hereby abandon or waive any rights in the non-elected inventions.

Extension

An extension of time to respond to the Restriction Requirement is respectfully requested. A Petition for an Extension of Time and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently.

Respectfully submitted,

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